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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

2007-2008 School Year Reports

Dear School Board Members and School Personnel:

The Maine Comprehensive Assessment System is the State's measure of student progress in achieving the State standards, known as *Learning Results*, adopted by the Maine Legislature in 1997. The Maine Educational Assessment (MEA) is administered in grades 3 through 8 to meet these state assessment requirements. Since the spring of 2006, the SAT Reasoning TestTM (SAT) has been administered to students in their third year of high school in place of the MEA for state and federal purposes. The move from the MEA to the SAT in grade 11 was made to encourage all students in the goal of attaining college and high-level workplace readiness as well as to measure achievement. As last year, the mathematics portion of the SAT Reasoning TestTM was augmented with 18 additional mathematics items (the Math-A test) to more fully measure Maine's *Learning Results*. Additionally, Science and Technology testing resumed this year after a two-year hiatus. The combined tests form the Maine High School Assessment (MHSA).

Because the MHSA Science & Technology achievement level standards had not been revised in 2006 like all other disciplines, it was necessary to revise the standards for that discipline this spring. The new achievement level standards are the result of a comprehensive process informed by Maine teachers and reviewed by advisory committees. The achievement level standards for the 2008 Critical Reading, Writing and Mathematics sections of the MHSA were not changed.

These 2007-2008 Maine High School Assessment Summary Reports contain the results of student performance in critical reading, mathematics, writing, and science & technology reported according to the achievement standards described above and disaggregated by student and school characteristics. This report, together with individual student and subject-specific student roster reports, provides support for use in program evaluation and planning. All scores contained in these reports are included for Maine state and federal reporting purposes only. While scores for most students may also be used for college admission, scores for students who received accommodations during the test administration that exceeded those made available by the College Board are not college reportable.

The state results reflect scores based on SAT, Math-A, and Science & Technology test questions that were taken by over 15,000 students who were enrolled in their third year of high school across all Maine public schools. The MHSA employs a design that requires students to create a written response to a writing prompt, generate answers to open-ended mathematics and science & technology questions, and in all subjects, select answers to multiple-choice questions. More information about the design, history, and use of the SAT can be found at: http://www.maine.gov/education/sat_initiative/.

I look forward to working with you in support of our continued efforts to improve the quality and effectiveness of the instructional opportunities designed to help all students achieve the high standards of the *Learning Results* and graduate from any Maine high school prepared for college, career, and citizenship.

Susan A. Lendron

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron
Commissioner of Education

Maine High School Assessment

SAU Report

Test Date: May 2008

ID: 1134

SAU: Portland Public Schools

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SUMMARY OF SCORES

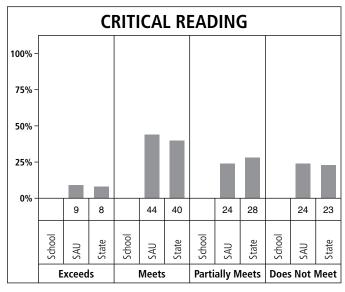
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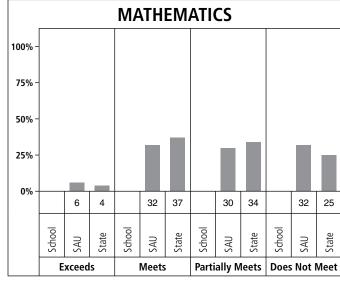
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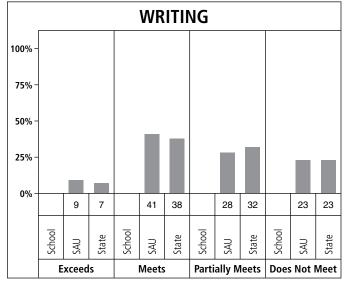
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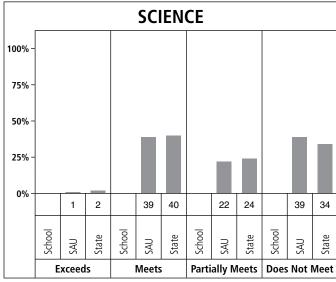
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ieai	School	SAU	State
Critical Reading 2006–2007 2007–2008		1141 1142	1141 1141
Mathematics 2006–2007 2007–2008		1139 1139	1140 1141
Writing 2006–2007 2007–2008		1142 1141	1141 1140
Science 2007–2008		1139	1141











SUMMARY OF STUDENT PARTICIPATION

Test Date: May 2008

		En	rol	lme	nt¹								CC	N	ΓEΝ	IT.	AR	EΑ	PA	\R1	TIC	ΙPΑ	TIC)N²	2					
CATEGORY OF	d	luring	j test	ing v	vindo	W		С	ritical	Readi	ng				Mathe	matic	s				Wri	ting					Scie	ence		
PARTICIPATION	Sch	nool	S	AU	St	ate	Sch	nool	S	AU	Sta	ate	Scl	nool	S	AU	Sta	ite	Scl	nool	S	AU	St	ate	Scl	nool	S	AU	St	tate
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total number of students			627	100	15604	100			529	85	14875	96			568	91	15165	97			529	85	14869	96			547	88	14961	96
Ethnicity African American/Black			98	16	305	2			70	72	261	86			88	91	286	95			70	72	260	86			87	90	280	93
American Indian or Native Alaskan			6	1	103	1			5	83	95	93			6	100	97	95			5	83	95	93			4	67	93	91
Asian or Pacific Islander			54	9	215	1			40	74	194	90			45	83	202	94			40	74	194	90			44	81	200	93
Hispanic			23	4	140	1			18	78	118	84			18	78	123	88			18	78	118	84			17	74	120	86
Caucasian/White			446	71	14841	95			396	89	14207	96			411	93	14457	98			396	89	14202	96			395	89	14268	96
Not Reported			0	0	0	0			0	0	0	0			0	0	0	0			0	0	0	0			0	0	0	0
Identified disability			92	15	2247	14			69	76	2065	93			73	80	2138	96			69	76	2060	92			68	75	2081	93
Current LEP			177	28	648	4			132	75	508	79			159	90	564	87			132	75	507	78			151	86	534	83
Economically disadvantaged			215	34	4028	26			149	70	3682	92			179	84	3831	95			149	70	3679	92			169	79	3755	94
Migrant			0	0	5	0			0	0	5	100			0	0	5	100			0	0	5	100			0	0	5	100

MODE OF		C	ritical	Readi	ng				Mathe	matic	s				Wri	ting					Scie	ence	
		School	S	AU	Sta	ate	Sch	nool	S	AU	St	ate	Sch	nool	S	ΑU	Sta	ate	Sch	nool	S	AU	State
PARTICIPATION ³	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N %
Participation without accommodations			480	77	13042	84			519	83	13332	85			480	77	13042	84			499	80	13192 85
Identified disability (PET/IEP)			38	8	739	6			42	8	810	6			38	8	739	6			38	8	791 6
LEP			106	22	399	3			133	26	456	3			106	22	399	3			125	25	436 3
504 plan			3	1	196	2			3	1	204	2			3	1	196	2			3	1	201 2
Participation with accommodations			33	5	1623	10			33	5	1624	10			33	5	1625	10			32	5	1567 10
Identified disability (PET/IEP)			15	45	1117	69			15	45	1119	69			15	45	1119	69			14	44	1088 69
LEP			16	48	93	6			16	48	93	6			16	48	93	6			16	50	83 5
504 plan			1	3	58	4			1	3	58	4			1	3	58	4			1	3	55 4
Other			3	9	367	23			3	9	366	23			3	9	367	23			3	9	353 23
Participation through alternate assessment (PAAP)			16	3	209	1			16	3	209	1			16	3	202	1			16	3	202 1
Identified disability (PET/IEP)			16	100	209	100			16	100	209	100			16	100	202	100			16	100	202 100
LEP			10	63	15	7			10	63	15	7			10	63	15	7			10	63	15 7
504 plan			0	0	0	0			0	0	0	0			0	0	0	0			0	0	0 0
Approved non-participation in reading – 1st year LEP			0	0	1	0																	
Approved non-participation – special consideration			3	0	36	0			3	0	40	0			3	0	36	0			3	0	38 0
Non-participation – other			95	15	693	4			56	9	399	3			95	15	699	4			77	12	605 4

¹ Percents are the percentage of students enrolled in each participation category.3 Percents are the percentage of students in each content area by mode.

² Percents are the percentage of students, including those who participated through alternate assessment (PAAP), who participated in the content area.

CRITICAL READING RESULTS

Test Date: May 2008

ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS: Achievement level definitions describe the quality of a student on state-level assessments in relation to the reading standards for achieving Maine's <i>Learning</i>	•	ST	UDENTS	AT EACH	ACHIEVE	MENT LEV	'EL
Maine state-level assessments measure the knowledge and skills of students by sampling iden		Scl	nool	SA	\U	Sta	ite
standards within reading at the grade level assessed. Evidence includes responses to multiple items in an "on demand" setting.	-choice	N	%	N	%	N	%
Exceeds the Standards – The student's work demonstrates the ability to read and interpret literary and informational texts appropriate for the grade level by applying a variety of reasoning skills and prior knowledge as the student draws in-depth inferences, analyzes texts for subtle clues, synthesizes information across texts, and uses knowledge of text structures and literary devices to make deeper connections within or across texts to increase comprehension. (scaled score 1161-1180)	2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-2008 Cum. Total*			51 52 47 150	10 11 9 10	1079 1168 1184 3431	7 8 8 8
Meets the Standards – The student's work demonstrates the ability to read and interpret literary and informational texts appropriate for the grade level by applying a variety of reasoning skills and prior knowledge as the student draws inferences, identifies summary statements, connects ideas within and across texts, and uses knowledge of text structures and literary devices to increase comprehension. (scaled score 1141-1160)	2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-2008 Cum. Total*			173 182 222 577	35 37 44 38	5697 5714 5885 17296	38 38 40 39
Partially Meets the Standards – The student's work demonstrates an inconsistent ability to read and interpret literary and informational texts appropriate for the grade level. The student's ability to use a variety of reasoning skills and prior knowledge varies depending on the texts as s/he draws inferences, identifies summary statements, connects ideas within and across texts, and uses knowledge of text structures and literary devices to support comprehension. (scaled score 1129-1140)	2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-2008 Cum. Total*			139 124 121 384	28 25 24 26	4772 4728 4093 13593	32 31 28 30
Does Not Meet the Standards – The student's work demonstrates a limited ability to read and interpret literary and informational texts appropriate for the grade level. The student's responses are often incorrect leaving the impression that the student found it difficult to use a variety of reasoning skills and prior knowledge as s/he draws inferences, identifies summary statements, connects ideas within and across texts, or uses knowledge of text structures and literary devices to support comprehension. (scaled score 1100-1128)	2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-2008 Cum. Total*			138 135 120 393	28 27 24 26	3595 3444 3417 10456	24 23 23 23



CRITICAL READING RESULTS BY REPORTING SUBGROUPS

Test Date: May 2008

SAU: Portland Public Schools

DEDORTING					Sc	hool							S	ΑU	,				St	ate		
REPORTING CATEGORIES	Tested		E		М		P		D	Mean Scaled Score	Tested	E	М	P	D	Mean Scaled Score	Tested	E	М	P	D	Mean Scaled Score
	N	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	Score	N	%	%	%	%	Score	N	%	%	%	%	Jule
All Students											510	9	44	24	24	1142	14579	8	40	28	23	1141
Ethnicity																						
African American/Black											63	3	5	21	71	1126	248	4	21	27	48	1132
American Indian or Native Alaskan											5	0	60	20	20	1137	94	5	27	28	40	1134
Asian or Pacific Islander											39	0	23	38	38	1135	192	4	35	30	31	1138
Hispanic											18	0	28	33	39	1133	115	5	32	26	37	1136
Caucasian/White											385	12	52	22	14	1146	13930	8	41	28	23	1141
Not Reported											0						0					
Identified disability																						
Yes											52	2	13	31	54	1131	1823	1	9	24	65	1126
No											458	10	47	23	20	1143	12756	9	45	29	17	1143
Current LEP																						
Yes											121	2	19	24	55	1130	488	3	22	24	52	1132
No											389	12	51	24	14	1146	14091	8	41	28	22	1141
Economically disadvantaged											400		00	07	50	1100	3545		00	00	00	1134
Yes											139 371	2 12	20 52	27 22	50 13	1132 1146	11034	3 10	28 44	30 27	39 19	1143
No											3/1	12	52	22	13	1146	11034	10	44	2/	19	1143
Migrant																						
Yes											0			İ			5	20	0	40	40	1136
No											510	9	44	24	24	1142	14574	8	40	28	23	1141
Gender																						
Female											254	9	47	22	22	1143	7237	8	42	30	19	1142
Male											256	10	40	25	25	1141	7342	8	38	26	28	1140
Not Reported											0						0					
Title 1A targeted program																						
Yes											0						103	0	9	30	61	1127
No											510	9	44	24	24	1142	14476	8	41	28	23	1141
Gifted/talented program											21	67	22		_	1164	205	10	10	4		1161
Yes											21	67	33	0	0	1164	295	48	48	4	0	
No											489	7	44	25	25	1141	14284	7	40	29	24	1140

 $\mathbf{N} = \text{Number}$

MATHEMATICS RESULTS

Test Date: May 2008 SAU: Portland Public Schools

ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS: Achievement level definitions describe the quality of a student on state-level assessments in relation to the mathematics standards for achieving Maine's <i>Lean</i>	_	STU	JDENTS A	AT EACH A	CHIEVE	MENT LEV	EL*
Maine state-level assessments measure the knowledge and skills of students by sampling idea	ntified	Sch	nool	SA	AU	Sta	ate
standards within mathematics at the grade level assessed. Evidence includes responses to a c of multiple-choice items and items requiring student-created responses in an "on demand" se		N	%	N	%	N	%
Exceeds the Standards – The student's work demonstrates in-depth understanding of essential concepts in mathematics, including the ability to make multiple connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate the ability to synthesize information, analyze and solve difficult or unfamiliar problems, and apply complex concepts. (scaled score 1161-1180)	2006-2007 2007-2008			21 31	4 6	578 637	4 4
Meets the Standards – The student's work demonstrates an understanding of essential concepts in mathematics, including the ability to make connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate the ability to reason, analyze and solve problems, and apply concepts. (scaled score 1141-1160)	2006-2007 2007-2008			171 174	33 32	5481 5508	36 37
Partially Meets the Standards – The student's work demonstrates incomplete understanding of essential concepts in mathematics and inconsistent connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate some ability to analyze and solve problems and apply concepts. (scaled score 1133-1140)	2006-2007 2007-2008			142 166	27 30	4754 5065	31 34
Does Not Meet the Standards – The student's work demonstrates limited understanding of essential concepts in mathematics and infrequent or inaccurate connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate minimal ability to solve problems and apply concepts. (scaled score 1100-1132)	2006-2007 2007-2008			190 178	36 32	4607 3660	30 25



MATHEMATICS RESULTS BY REPORTING SUBGROUPS

Test Date: May 2008

					Sc	hool							SA	ΑU					Sta	ate		
REPORTING CATEGORIES	Tested		E		М		P	D)	Mean Scaled Score	Tested	E	М	P	D	Mean Scaled Score	Tested	E	М	Р	D	Mean Scaled Score
	N	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	Jeore	N	%	%	%	%	Jeore	N	%	%	%	%	Jene
All Students											549	6	32	30	32	1139	14870	4	37	34	25	1141
Ethnicity																						
African American/Black											81	0	2	12	85	1127	274	1	12	31	57	1133
American Indian or Native Alaskan											6	0	17	33	50	1128	96	2	24	30	44	1136
Asian or Pacific Islander											44	9	20	32	39	1139	200	8	37	34	22	1142
Hispanic											18	0	22	33	44	1137	120	3	23	32	43	1138
Caucasian/White											400	7	40	34	20	1142	14180	4	38	34	24	1141
Not Reported											0						0					
Identified disability																						
Yes											56	0	4	25	71	1131	1896	0	8	22	70	1130
No											493	6	35	31	28	1140	12974	5	41	36	18	1142
Current LEP																						
Yes											148	2	12	20	66	1132	545	3	16	28	53	1135
No											401	7	39	34	20	1142	14325	4	38	34	24	1141
Economically disadvantaged																						
Yes											169	1	11	24	65	1131	3695	1	22	37	40	1136
No											380	8	41	33	18	1143	11175	5	42	33	19	1142
Migrant																						
Yes											0						5	20	20	40	20	1144
No											549	6	32	30	32	1139	14865	4	37	34	25	1141
Gender																						
Female			İ								270	3	34	31	31	1139	7362	3	36	36	24	1140
Male											279	8	29	29	34	1140	7508	5	38	32	25	1141
Not Reported											0						0					
Title 1A targeted program																						
Yes											0						103	0	8	41	51	1134
No											549	6	32	30	32	1139	14767	4	37	34	24	1141
Gifted/talented program																						
Yes			İ								21	62	38	0	0	1165	296	35	59	5	0	1158
No											528	3	31	31	34	1138	14574	4	37	35	25	1140
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WRITING RESULTS

Test Date: May 2008 SAU: Portland Public Schools

ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS: Achievement level definitions describe the quality of a student on state-level assessments in relation to the writing standards for achieving Maine's <i>Learning</i>	•	ST	UDENTS	AT EACH A	ACHIEVE	MENT LEV	'EL
Maine state-level assessments measure the knowledge and skills of students by sampling ider	ntified	Sch	nool	SA	\U	Sta	ate
standards within writing at the grade level assessed. Evidence includes responses to a combin multiple-choice items and items requiring student-created responses in an "on demand" setting		N	%	N	%	N	%
Exceeds the Standards – The student's responses demonstrate skillful ability to select clear, precise sentence improvements that are free of awkwardness or ambiguity; to recognize grammar and usage errors; and to select revisions that add to the clarity, precision and overall effectiveness of a passage. The student's essay demonstrates an effectively developed and insightful point of view on the issue and outstanding critical thinking, with clearly appropriate examples, reasons, and other evidence to support a position. The essay is well-organized and clearly focused, demonstrating clear coherence and smooth progression of ideas and free of most errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics. (scaled score 1161-1180)	2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-2008 Cum. Total*			49 61 44 154	10 12 9 10	952 937 962 2851	6 6 7 6
Meets the Standards – The student's responses demonstrate ability to select clear sentence improvements that are free of awkwardness or ambiguity; to recognize grammar and usage errors; and to select revisions that add to the clarity and overall effectiveness of a passage. The student's essay demonstrates an effectively developed point of view on the issue and strong critical thinking, with generally appropriate examples, reasons, and other evidence to support a position. The essay is well-organized and focused, demonstrating coherence and progression of ideas and generally free of most errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics. (scaled score 1141-1160)	2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-2008 Cum. Total*			181 195 209 585	36 40 41 39	6055 6167 5564 17786	40 41 38 40
Partially Meets the Standards – The student's responses demonstrate inconsistent ability to select clear sentence improvements that are free of awkwardness or ambiguity; to recognize grammar and usage errors; and to select revisions that add to the clarity and overall effectiveness of a passage. The student's essay demonstrates a developed point of view on the issue and some critical thinking, but may do so inconsistently or with inadequate examples, reasons, or other evidence to support a position. The essay is generally organized and focused, but may demonstrate some lapses in coherence or progression of ideas and may contain errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics. (scaled score 1129-1140)	2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-2008 Cum. Total*			158 116 142 416	32 24 28 28	4916 4723 4679 14318	32 31 32 32
Does Not Meet the Standards – The student's responses demonstrate limited ability to select clear sentence improvements that are free of awkwardness or ambiguity; to recognize grammar and usage errors; and to select revisions that add to the clarity and overall effectiveness of a passage. The student's essay demonstrates a vague or seriously limited point of view on the issues and weak critical thinking, with inappropriate or insufficient examples, reasons, or other evidence to support a position. The essay is poorly organized and/or focused and may contain an accumulation of errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics that interfere with understanding the message of the essay. (scaled score 1100-1128)	2005-2006 2006-2007 2007-2008 Cum. Total*			113 121 115 349	23 25 23 23	3221 3227 3376 9824	21 21 23 22



WRITING RESULTS BY REPORTING SUBGROUPS

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SAU: Portland Public Schools

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REPORTING CATEGORIES	Tested		E		М		P		D	Mean Scaled Score	Tested	E	М	Р	D	Mean Scaled Score	Tested	E	М	Р	D	Mean Scaled Score
	N	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	Score	N	%	%	%	%	Score	N	%	%	%	%	JCOIE
All Students											510	9	41	28	23	1141	14581	7	38	32	23	1140
Ethnicity																						
African American/Black											63	2	6	25	67	1125	248	2	19	30	49	1131
American Indian or Native Alaskan											5	0	20	60	20	1137	94	3	19	38	39	1133
Asian or Pacific Islander											39	3	23	46	28	1136	192	6	30	34	30	1137
Hispanic											18	0	28	11	61	1130	115	2	30	36	33	1136
Caucasian/White											385	11	49	27	13	1145	13932	7	39	32	22	1140
Not Reported											0						0					
Identified disability																						
Yes											52	2	12	35	52	1129	1825	1	7	23	69	1125
No											458	9	44	27	19	1143	12756	7	43	33	17	1142
Current LEP																						
Yes											121	1	18	27	54	1130	488	3	19	29	49	1131
No											389	11	48	28	13	1145	14093	7	39	32	22	1140
Economically disadvantaged											400		00	00	40	1101	3546		05	05	00	1101
Yes											139 371	1 12	20 49	30 27	49 13	1131 1145	11035	2 8	25 42	35	38 18	1134 1142
No											3/1	12	49	2/	13	1145	11035	8	42	31	18	1142
Migrant																						
Yes											0			İ			5	20	0	20	60	1131
No											510	9	41	28	23	1141	14576	7	38	32	23	1140
Gender																						
Female											254	9	47	26	17	1144	7239	8	43	33	17	1142
Male											256	8	35	29	28	1139	7342	6	34	31	30	1138
Not Reported											0						0					
Title 1A targeted program																						
Yes											0						103	0	7	39	54	1128
No											510	9	41	28	23	1141	14478	7	38	32	23	1140
Gifted/talented program																						
Yes											21	67	33	0	0	1165	295	42	53	4	0	1159
No											489	6	41	29	24	1140	14286	6	38	33	24	1139
140											100		1 7			1140	14200			00		1100

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SCIENCE RESULTS

Test Date: May 2008

SAU: Portland Public Schools

ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS: Achievement level definitions describe the quality of a student's responses STUDENTS AT EACH ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL* on state-level assessments in relation to the science standards for achieving Maine's Learning Results. Maine state-level assessments measure the knowledge and skills of students by sampling identified SAU School State standards within science at the grade level assessed. Evidence includes responses to a combination of Ν % Ν % Ν % multiple-choice items and items requiring student-created responses in an "on demand" setting. Exceeds the Standards - The student's work demonstrates in-depth understanding of essential concepts in science, including the ability to make multiple connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate the ability to synthesize information, analyze and solve difficult problems using the processes 2007-2008 3 1 300 2 of scientific inquiry, and explain complex concepts using evidence and proper terminology to support and communicate logical conclusions. (scaled score 1161-1180) Meets the Standards – The student's work demonstrates a general understanding of essential concepts in science, including the ability to make connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate the ability to analyze and solve routine problems using the processes of scientific inquiry and explain central 206 39 5927 40 2007-2008 concepts with sufficient clarity and accuracy to demonstrate general understanding. (scaled score 1141-1160) Partially Meets the Standards – The student's work demonstrates incomplete understanding of essential

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Does Not Meet the Standards – The student's work demonstrates limited understanding of essential concepts in science and infrequent or inaccurate connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate minimal ability to solve problems and use the skills of scientific inquiry. There are many inaccuracies and explanations are illogical, incomplete, or missing. (scaled score 1100-1134)	2007-2008		206	39	4988	34

2007-2008

		nber	Avera	ge Point	s Attaine	d (Numbe	er and Pe	rcent)
Learning Results Content Standard Clusters		oints sible	Sch	ool	SA	AU	Sta	ate
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Cluster 1: Life Sciences	15	27			5.97	39.8	6.41	42.7
Cluster 2: Physical Sciences	14	25			5.46	39.0	6.22	44.4
Cluster 3: Earth and Space Sciences	14	25			4.50	32.1	5.04	36.0
Cluster 4: Nature and Implications of Science	13	23			6.27	48.2	6.59	50.7

concepts in science and inconsistent connections among central ideas. The student's responses demonstrate

Explanation of concepts may be incomplete or unclear. (scaled score 1135-1140)

some ability to analyze and solve problems using scientific inquiry but the quality of responses is inconsistent.

Cluster 1: Life Sciences

A. Classifying Life Forms

116

22

3544

Each content standard in the

clusters shown is defined

in Maine's 1997 *Learning*

Results, which are the basis

for science and technology

Grade Span Expectations.

expectation, which can be

found at http://www.maine.

gov/education/lsalt/gles.

htm.

Each item on the MHSA

measures a grade span

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B. Ecology

C. Cells

Cluster 2: Physical Sciences

E. Structure of Matter

H. Energy

I. Motion

Cluster 3: Earth and Space Sciences

D. Continuity and Change

F. The Earth

G. The Universe

Cluster 4: Nature and Implications of Science

J. Inquiry and Problem Solving

K. Scientific Reasoning

L. Communication

M. Implications of Science & Technology

^{*}Because science testing at the high school level resumed in 2008 after a two-year hiatus and new achievement level standards were set for the MHSA science test, historical data are not available.



SCIENCE RESULTS BY REPORTING SUBGROUPS

Test Date: May 2008

REPORTING CATEGORIES	School										SAU						State					
	Tested	E		M			P		D		Tested	E	М	P	D	Mean Scaled Score	Tested	E	М	Р	D	Mean Scaled Score
	N	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	N %	Score	N	%	%	%	%	Score	N	%	%	%	%	Score
All Students											531	1	39	22	39	1139	14759	2	40	24	34	1141
Ethnicity African American/Black											80	0	6	3	91	1129	269	0	20	14	65	1134
American Indian or Native Alaskan Asian or Pacific Islander											4 44	0	23	36	41	1136	92 199	1 3	24 36	28 25	47 36	1138 1140
Hispanic											17	0	24	12	65	1135	118	1	26	19	54	1136
Caucasian/White Not Reported											386 0	1	48	25	26	1141	14081 0	2	41	24	33	1141
Identified disability																						
Yes											52	0	21	13	65	1135	1879	0	11	17	72	1133
No											479	1	41	23	36	1139	12880	2	44	25	28	1142
Current LEP																						
Yes											141	0	13	16	71	1132	519	1	18	19	62	1134
No											390	1	48	24	27	1141	14240	2	41	24	33	1141
Economically disadvantaged																						
Yes											161	0	15	13	72	1133	3651	1	26	24	49	1137
No											370	1	49	26	24	1142	11108	3	45	24	29	1142
Migrant																						
Yes											0						5	20	40	40	0	1146
No											531	1	39	22	39	1139	14754	2	40	24	34	1141
Gender																						
Female											262	0	39	23	37	1139	7277	1	37	26	36	1140
Male Not Reported											269 0	1	38	20	40	1139	7482 0	3	43	22	32	1141
Not Reported											"				-		"					
Title 1A targeted program																						
Yes											0					1400	100	1	5	22	72	1133
No											531	1	39	22	39	1139	14659	2	40	24	34	1141
Gifted/talented program																						
Yes											21	5	90	5	0	1153	296	13	80	5	3	1152
No											510	0	37	23	40	1138	14463	2	39	24	34	1140